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LET US CELEBRATE HANUKKAH TOGETHER

A Hanukkah Party For Kids

"It wouldn't — couldn't — be Hanukkah without a party for the kids", says Parent Association President Barbara Sassoon and Toby Bremer, Chairperson of the Single Parents Group.

And so, on Monday, December 13, from 6 - 7:30 P.M., both organizations are sponsoring a Hanukkah Party for the children of the synagogue.

With singing and dancing, with traditional refreshments and with balloons, the children of the congregation will celebrate Hanukkah together.

Last year one of the tiniest members of the children population was heard to lament upon leaving the party, that it would be "too long" to wait a whole year for another Hanukkah party. Maybe so. But the year has passed and another Hanukkah party time is at hand. Don't miss it!

Sisterhood Gift Shop Extends Hours

On two Fridays, December 3 and 10, the Sisterhood Gift Shop will be open from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M. and on two Sundays, December 5 and 12, the Gift Shop also will be open from 10 A.M. until 3 P.M. These hours are in addition to the regularly scheduled hours the Gift Shop is open, Mondays through Thursdays, 11 A.M. to 5 P.M.

There is no better place to shop for that *different* and *unusual* Hanukkah gift than the Sisterhood Gift Shop. Featured are rare gifts of fine Judaica as well as gifts of jewelry, wearables, accessories, children's games, etc.

Featured in the vitrine in the lobby this month are items for sale in the Gift Shop from "In The Spirit", a gallery of fine Judaica.

Visit the Gift Shop soon. Proceeds benefit the synagogue.

**7:30 A.M.
Morning Minyan
Wednesday, December 15**

!Celebrating Hanukkah!

The holiday of Hanukkah is celebrated for eight days, beginning on the 25th day of Kislev. This year Hanukkah begins on Friday night, December 10 and continues until sundown, Saturday, December 18.

On each of the eight nights we kindle the Menorah (or *Hanukkiah*) to commemorate the miraculous victory of the Jews over the Syrian Greeks during the second century B.C.E. In the Talmud the Rabbis tell a story which symbolizes the victory on the battlefield. A small cruse of oil was found when the Temple was rededicated which miraculously lasted for eight days. Just as a small amount of oil cast a great deal of light, so did a few Jews stand against the many and the mighty in order to preserve their faith.

How are Hanukkah lights kindled? A candelabrum is used which has places for eight lights, in addition to a place for a ninth which is called the *shamash*. (The Sisterhood Gift Shop has many varied styles of candelabrum for sale suitable for use on this joyous holiday.) Generally, wax candles are used, although some Menorahs are made to be used with olive oil and a wick. On the first evening, the first candle is placed on the right side of the Menorah. Then on each succeeding night, a candle is added to the left. The *shamash* is lit first, the proper blessings are said (see page 6) and then the *shamash* is used to kindle that evening's lights. The kindling always starts on the left with the candle which has been added

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A Hanukkah Musicale For Grown-Ups

On the evening of the second day of Hanukkah, when the third candle is kindled, a musical first will take place in the synagogue: a Lobby Concert. Beginning at 7 P.M. on Sunday, December 12, The Judaic Music Society will perform under the vaulted ceiling of the Wimpfheimer Hall. All are welcome to attend this chamber music concert by this unique group of versatile, young musicians. Admission is free.

Following the formal musical presentation, the congregation is invited downstairs to an informal Hanukkah party at which refreshments traditional to the holiday will be served and the opportunity presented to meet the musicians.

The Judaic Music Society

The Society was founded by Carrie Feiner who views the existence of the ensemble of seven professional musicians, six instrumentalists and a soprano as an "affirmation of Jewish life". The group performs music of Jewish composers whether or not their work reflects specific Jewish content. The Society's Honorary Board of Advisors includes Martin Bookspan, Tedd Joselson, Siegfried Landau, Jan Pearce and Roberta Peters. Joining pianist Carrie Feiner in performance will be clarinetist Fred Jacobowitz, violinist Rose Weinberger and soprano Roslyn Jhunever.

Feiner received her M.M. degree from Juilliard. In 1981 she was named top prize recipient of the Magda Dahl-Frank Colasanto Scholarship Grant Award for piano performance. She recently was named 1982 recipient of Hadassah's Myrtle Wreath Award. She has given many performances in the New York metropolitan area, including Alice Tully Hall. She is part of the performance team of U.J.A.'s Entertainment Division and has been the subject of a feature article in a recent issue of *The Jewish Week*.

Jacobowitz is presently pursuing an undergraduate degree at Juilliard where he studies with Leon Russianoff. He was the recipient of the Guggenheim Concert Band International Competition and the Milton Kahn Memorial Competition, among others. He became interested in Jewish folk music and dancing as a young student. He has given recitals in and around the metropolitan area and had his New York debut in 1980 at Carnegie Hall.

Weinberger received her M.M. degree
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Keeping Warm

As the days grow shorter, the nights longer and the temperature drops, many of us spend a lot of time thinking about how to keep warm. I have two suggestions to help warm you up.

First, think about the summertime. Jewish parents in particular should have their minds set now on Summer, 1983. May I suggest a way that you can warm up your child's life immeasurably this next year? How about spending next summer at Camp Ramah? Now is the time to make arrangements for your child to have a Jewish experience which will last a lifetime. There is no better way to supplement our school. Camp Ramah provides a total Jewish experience that is unique, and now is the time to plan for the summer so that your child or grandchild will reap the benefits.

A second way to fight the cold: join the Shabbat Dinners on the third Friday night of each month. That will make you warm inside. The new communal celebration in our Congregation is now in its second month and the response has been overwhelming. More than one hundred congregants attended the Friday night dinner last month. We had a chance to sit together, to sing together, to meet new friends and to experience the warmth of this special Shabbat. How about joining us this month or in January?

I could go on and tell you about what is coming up in the Sherr Institute, for example, to warm your mind, but read the rest of the BULLETIN and it will reveal more warming ways. Yes, the days may be getting shorter and the temperature outside may be going down, but the possibilities of keeping warm at Park Avenue Synagogue are very great indeed.

— Harlan J. Wechsler

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday evening, December 3 6:15 p.m.

FAMILY SERVICE

Shabbat dinner for children of grade Gimel and their families.

Reservations required.

Saturday morning, December 4 9:15 a.m.

Bat Mitzvah of Abigail Solomon

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Solomon

Friday evening, December 10 6:15 p.m.

First Hanukkah Candle

Saturday morning, December 11 9:15 a.m.

Shabbat Hanukkah

Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Zimmerman

son of Mr. and Mrs. David Zimmerman

Friday evening, December 17 6:15 p.m.

Hanukkah Service

Congregational Shabbat Dinner.

Reservations required.

Saturday morning, December 18 9:15 a.m.

Shabbat Hanukkah

Bat Mitzvah of Elizabeth Klein

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Klein

Friday night, December 24 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Wechsler will speak on

"CHAIM GRADE: JEWISH WRITER PAR EXCELLENCE"

Saturday morning, December 25 9:15 a.m.

Rabbi Nadich will teach

Friday night, December 31 6:15 p.m.

Rabbis Judah Nadich and Harlan J. Wechsler will preach and conduct the services together with Cantor David Lefkowitz and the synagogue choir with Neil Robinson at the organ.

The Synagogue And Year End Tax Planning

When considering your year-end tax planning and related charitable contributions, please consider a contribution to the Synagogue. Its needs are great. The financial well-being of the Synagogue is heavily dependent on voluntary contributions. In addition, the Building Fund has a continuing need for funds to complete the furnishing of the new building.

Therefore, if you have an unpaid Building Fund or Kol Nidre Appeal pledge, please pay it now. If you have not made a contribution to the Building Fund or the Kol Nidre Appeal, please do so now, and be counted among the many families who have already contributed generously. If you have previously contributed to both, please consider an additional contribution at this time.

In view of the recent surge in the securities markets, you may want to consider the tax advantages which may be inherent in making your contribution in securities which have appreciated in value. The Synagogue Office will be pleased to help you with the details of such a contribution.

Thank you for your support.

— Joel J. Cohen, Chairman of the Board

— Martin J. Milston, President

**Mr. and Mrs. Club Presents
Gift to Synagogue**

The Mr. and Mrs. Club, under the leadership of Mrs. Miriam Brown, has presented a table top lectern to Park Avenue Synagogue. The lectern, which can be used by groups as small as 20 or as large as 2000, has a self-contained speaker and sound system. It is in a small attractive cabinet that is easily portable.

This new system was used for the first time at the Shabbat Dinner held at the Synagogue on Friday night, November 19.

**Seek Congregant Interested
In Becoming Shofar Blower**

The Synagogue is interested in finding another congregant willing to blow the Shofar on the High Holidays so that the sound of the Shofar can be heard "live" in both the Sanctuary and the Hall of Worship.

Mr. Alan Levine, our official Shofar blower, has expressed an interest in having a congregant join him in this most important task, and he is willing to train him, as well. It is helpful to have had experience in playing wind instrument but not absolutely necessary.

Interested? Then call or write Rabbi Wechsler at the Synagogue. He will then contact you.

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from Juilliard and is presently assistant to Juilliard's faculty member William Lincer. She has given solo and chamber music concerts in the U.S., Canada and Israel. A recipient of numerous scholarships both in the U.S. and abroad, she has appeared as soloist at Alice Tully Hall. She will be making her European debut tour in January.

Jhunever is currently enrolled as a cantorial student at the Hebrew Union College School of Sacred Music. She has performed extensively in opera, oratorio and concerts with major opera companies and arts organizations, such as the Santa Fe Opera, the Westchester Symphony Orchestra, the Municipal Concerts Orchestra and the Bronx Opera Company. In Israel she has performed with the Israel Philharmonic, the Jerusalem Symphony, the Israel Chamber Ensemble and the Israel National Opera. She is the recipient of the Minna Kaufman Ruud Foundation Award, the Bori Award of the Metropolitan Opera Studio and the Liederkrantz Award, among others.

The Mr. and Mrs. Club, sponsors of this evening's entertainment, cordially invite the congregation to attend this *wonderful* evening of marvellous music, stimulating sociability, remarkable refreshments — in the spirit of celebrating Hanukkah.

Hanukkah and Christmas Discussed At Breakfast

"Hanukkah and Christmas: What To Do?" is the focus of a discussion to be led by Rabbi Wechsler at the Study Breakfast to be held on Sunday, December 5 from 10:15 to 11:45 A.M.

Coffee and danish will be served and baby sitting, for very young children, will be provided by students in the High School.

This topic continues to be one of great import to the Jewish community, of every age. An attempt will be made at the breakfast to clarify aspects of this challenge to Jews living in an open society.

All are most welcome to attend.

The breakfast is co-sponsored by Parents Association and the Sherr Institute of Adult Jewish Studies.

Club 87 Coffee House Open December 8 at 7:15 P.M.

Young singles, age 21 - 31, have an open invitation to attend the next Coffee House of Club 87 on Wednesday, December 8 at 7:15 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Come and meet other young Jewish singles living, working, going to school in the metropolitan area. There is plenty of good food, good music, great conversation and plain good fun!

Club 87 also will be sponsoring Sunday discussion brunches, singles Shabbat Services and many other activities of interest to young Jewish singles. Watch for future announcements of coming events.

New Members Feted At Champagne Reception

The new members of Park Avenue Synagogue will be feted at a Champagne Reception to be held on Thursday evening, December 2 from 8:30 - 10:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium.

At this reception, our new members will have an opportunity to meet one another socially as well as get to know the officers and trustees of the congregation, our Rabbis and Cantors and the leaders of the "Arms" — Sisterhood, Men's Club, Mr. and Mrs. Club, Parents Association and Women's Evening Group — and singles groups.

Last month the BULLETIN proudly printed the names of 122 new members of our congregation, the largest number ever to join our congregation in one year. Since that time 9 additional families have become new members of our congregation. They are:

Mr. and Mrs. Harris J. Amhowitz

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Antler

Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Braka

Ms. Marlene Charnizon

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Katz

Dr. and Mrs. Ludwig Klein

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Matthews

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ripps

Mrs. Philip Shapiro

Margot Steinberg is chairman of the Reception. She is assisted by Nancy Treiger and Miriam Wallerstein.

Congregational Shabbat Dinner Friday Night, December 17

Join your friends at the second congregational Shabbat Dinner, Friday evening, December 17, following Services which begin at 6:15 P.M.

Club 87, the Singles Group, Club 50 and the Single Parents Group will join other members of the congregational family for an evening of rejoicing in the Sabbath with a traditional meal, great singing and good fellowship.

The success of the first dinner held in November points to the need of getting your reservations in *early*.

Cost of the dinner is \$15 per person. Linda and Mel Matlins co-chair the dinners.

**SEE YOU AT
SISTERHOOD'S
ANNUAL LUNCHEON
Tuesday, December 7
at 11:30 A.M.**

Hanukkah

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for the new day and continues by moving on to the right. On Friday night, the Hanukkah lights are kindled before the Sabbath candles are lit.

The Menorah is often placed at a window, if it is practical, to give public recognition to God's deliverance of the Jews. Special attention should be paid to the children's involvement in kindling the lights. In many families more than one Menorah is lit, the children lighting their own.

Many customs have become identified with Hanukkah in addition to the kindling of the Menorah which add greatly to the festivities. The two parties planned for the second and third day of Hanukkah in the synagogue, one for grown-ups and one for children, are part of this custom of celebrating Hanukkah. Children enjoy playing with the *dreidel* — a four sided top with four letters on it: *nun*, *gimel*, *heh* and *shin*. These letters are interpreted to mean *Nes Gadol Hayah Sham* "a great miracle happened there". *Latkes* (potato pancakes) are a traditional food while in Israel *sufganiyot* (doughnuts) have become customary. Both are cooked in oil, which is one of the major symbols of this holiday. And here in the United States, Hanukkah has become an occasion for the exchange of gifts, especially for the children. Now is the time to visit the Sisterhood Gift Shop and take advantage of their full stock of suitable gifts for Hanukkah for every age.

With lights, good food, songs, games and gifts, Hanukkah is a festival which celebrates events of the past and which is a cause for joy each and every year.

Project Ezra Comes To Hanukkah Party At PAS

Once again, in what has become a tradition at Park Avenue Synagogue, the elderly members of Project Ezra who live on the Lower East Side will be entertained by the Men's Club and the students of the High School at a Hanukkah Party on Sunday, December 5.

For three hours, from Noon until three, with lunch and singing, with candle lighting and gift giving, the old and the young will enjoy one another's company at an event all involved eagerly anticipate.

About sixty men and women from Project Ezra travel from their homes to our synagogue to be greeted by the members of Men's Club and by students of the High School.

If you would like to volunteer to assist Men's Club in this most worthy endeavor, please call President Herbert Frommer tonight at 722-6936 and offer your services. Your help is needed!

New Adult Ed Courses Offered In Sherr Institute in January

The month of December is a good time to begin to think about enrolling in a course in the Sherr Institute of Adult Jewish Studies. What better way to greet the secular New Year than with a resolution to increase your knowledge Jewishly and then to act on that resolution.

Beginning on Monday, January 3, the Hebrew language courses resume. There are courses on the beginners, intermediate and advanced levels offered mornings, afternoons and evenings. Consult the Sherr Institute brochure for more information.

The second semester of "To Be A Jew" begins on Tuesday, January 4. It is not necessary to have taken the first semester of this course to enroll in the second semester. During the second semester the course will focus on "To Be A Jew At Home", a practical introduction to the skills of leading and living a Jewish life at home. It will be taught by David Abramson, currently a fourth year rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, and will meet for ten successive Tuesday evenings from 8 - 9:30 P.M.

January 3 is the tenth *yahrzeit* of Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel. Dr. Neil Gillman will give a five session course on "Abraham Joshua Heschel" beginning on Wednesday, January 5. Dr. Gillman is not only Associate Provost of the Jewish Theological Seminary and Assistant Professor of Philosophy of Judaism at the Seminary, but he is also an exceedingly popular lecturer at Park Avenue Synagogue.

Two courses of special interest resume again on Tuesday, January 11. One is Carol Kekst's course on "The First Year of Life" and the other is the second edition of the "Bar- and Bat-Mitzvah Primer", a course designed expressly for the parents of Bar-and Bat-Mitzvah children.

Consult the Sherr Institute brochure for detailed information on all the courses offered, or call Rabbi Wechsler's secretary during business hours at 369-2600.

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School News

Item: In honor of the Centennial Celebration of their synagogue, students in the elementary School planted a garden of trees in the J.N.F. Children's Forest. The presentation of the certificate was made by **Marshall Stevenson**, son of Barbara and Jocke Stevenson, to Rabbi Nadich at the Centennial Shabbat Service.

Item: Last month, the Hey Grade visited the International Center of Photography to view the extraordinary exhibit of photographs on Israel by Micah Bar-Am.

Item: At the Family Service, December 3, Grade Gimel will conduct sections of the service and then enjoy a catered traditional Friday night dinner with their families.

Item: The elderly members of Project Ezra will be the guests of Park Avenue Synagogue at a Hanukkah Party to be held for them in the synagogue on Sunday, December 5. The children in the Elementary School will provide gifts for our guests while the students of the High School will assist the members of Men's Club in entertaining our guests at the party.

Item: It is always gratifying when students translate their personal values into actions. Last summer, **Daniel Mindich**, now a senior in the High School, spent most of his time as a volunteer on the staff of Project Ezra. **Susan Bandler**, (Class of 1977) is in the first of a two year commitment to "Interns For Peace", a social service peace project which sends young Israeli and American Jews into Israeli Arab villages to serve as community organizers, teachers, youth group workers, etc. By so doing, interns serve as bridges between the two communities enhancing the possibility for peaceful coexistence between Arabs and Jews. **Muzzy Rosenblatt** (Class of 1983) is a regular staff worker at the "Interns for Peace" office in New York and **Walter Charnizon**, **Larry Kraus** and **Phil Gelman** (Class of 1980) are the representatives for "Interns For Peace" on their college campuses.

Item: The Helpen-Wimpfheimer Fellowship, which provided a staff training program for eleven former Park Avenue Synagogue High School students in the summer of 1981, has already provided needed assistance to our community: The Summer Program 1982 was staffed by **Erica Marks** and **Susan Bandler** with two members of the High School faculty. The High Holy Day Services for the High School and College Communities were conducted by two other "Wimpies": **Elizabeth Leiman** and **Phil Gelman**. And this year's Summer In Israel program will be staffed by two to three other "Wimpies" as well.

Item: Peter Geffen, Principal of the High School, has been asked to write the High School Chapter for the soon to be released "Principal's Handbook", published by the Alternatives in Religious Education Press.

Congratulations

The congregation offers a hearty *Mazal Tov* to:

Dr. and Mrs. Jacob Applebaum, upon the birth of their grandson, Mark Andrew, son of Drs. Linda and Harry Applebaum.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Cohen, upon the forthcoming marriage of their son, Steven Alan Cohen, to Amy Berko.

Mrs. Margot Gusick, upon her marriage to Stephen Steinberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Kay, upon the birth of their daughter, Rose Sarah Kay; **Esther and Mannie Kay**, upon the birth of their granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman G. Lane, upon the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Joan Leslie Lane, to Michael Rubin.

Mrs. Abraham N. Rosen, upon the marriage of her grandson, Michael, to Dorothy Altman.

Ms. Janet Weisberg, upon her forthcoming marriage to Richard S. Samuels.

Condolences

Park Avenue Synagogue extends heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved of our congregation and to their families:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bennet, upon the death of their brother-in-law, Dr. Irving Frakin.

Mrs. Samuel Berman, upon the death of her husband.

Mr. Howard S. Denburg, upon the death of his father, Abraham Isaac Denburg.

The family of the late **Mrs. Leo Eppsteiner**.

The family of the late **Fannye Greenstein**.

Mr. Jay Krivitsky, upon the death of his mother, Birdye Krivitsky.

Mrs. Judah Nadich, upon the death of her brother, Harold U. Ribalow, and **Rabbi Nadich** upon the death of his brother-in-law;

Mr. and Mrs. James Levin, upon the death of their uncle.

Rabbi Henry Siegman, upon the death of his father, Mendel Siegman.

Mrs. Sidney Wolff, upon the death of her husband; **Mr. Michael Wolff**, upon the death of his father.

Special Note:

For those interested in learning more about the Camp Ramah In The Berkshires experience, please call Pat Davidson, 289-7771 or the Ramah Office, 749-0754 and 678-8885 or contact Mrs. Rahel Bloch, Principal of the Religious School, 831-8686. *Remember: January 31 is the deadline for the early registration reduced fee.*

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Centennial Year Culminates With Centennial Celebration Weekend

The weekend of the Centennial Celebration at Park Avenue Synagogue — November 12 - 14, 1982 — is now history. The events of the three day weekend were extraordinary in the variety of the experience they offered. And even the weather cooperated; although it turned cold, it remained dry during the days, raining softly only overnight one evening.

The Centennial was a year in the planning. The congregation thanks Mrs. Phyllis Siegel, Chairperson of the Centennial Weekend celebration, and her committee for their tireless efforts in bringing the events of the three day weekend to fruition. The formal activities began last spring with the gala Centennial Ball and Journal. Chaired by Annette Sherman (Ball) and Anita Gluck (Journal), this Gala was a major fundraiser to benefit the synagogue and a great success, financially and socially.

After Labor Day, two banners were hung over the facade of the building, one over the entrance to the Sanctuary on 87th Street and one alongside the Rapoport Sculptures on Madison Avenue. These two banners announced to the community-at-large that Park Avenue Synagogue was celebrating its one hundredth birthday. The colors of the banner may have been the colors of the State of Israel, but the message was strictly Park Avenue Synagogue. On a blue field, a circle

of white letters said "Park Avenue Synagogue" and placed in the center of the circle was the number "100".

On October 17 a tree was planted by the children of the Religious School on the south-east corner of Madison Avenue and 87th Street. This tree planting completed the planting of ten trees around our physical plant. The trees are our gift to the City of New York in honor of our Centennial. (A garden of trees was also planted in Israel in the J.N.F. Children's Forest by the children of our Religious School in honor of the Centennial.) At the same time the tree was planted, a hand-crafted *mezzuzah* was affixed to the doorpost of our new building, also in honor of the Centennial.

On Friday evening, November 12, the congregation gathered in the Sanctuary for the 39th annual Sabbath Eve Liturgical Music Service. The service was presented by Cantor David Lefkowitz and the Park Avenue Synagogue Concert Choir, with Abraham Kaplan, conductor, and Neil Robinson, organist, and represented a synthesis of all that is best in the serious development of music for the liturgy. It was an emotionally charged evening: the Sanctuary itself was never more beautiful, the music was sublime and the quality of the presentation of the service was exquisite.

Saturday morning, the congregation had

the treat of a joyous service, made more so by the celebration of the Bar Mitzvah of David Hirsch, a young man lucky enough to have his Bar Mitzvah fall on the shabbat of the Centennial weekend! The sermon "One Hundred Years" was delivered by Rabbi Nadich. It was a sermon on the contemporary purpose of the synagogue which will be long remembered by the congregation for its lucid and convincing content.

NBC Chief Diplomatic Correspondent Marvin Kalb joined Rabbi Nadich and the Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Dr. Gerson D. Cohen, in the program on Sunday afternoon, November 14 which combined intellect and emotion. Rabbi Nadich recounted the history and growth of Park Avenue Synagogue during the last century and the Chancellor spoke of the future of Conservative Judaism in America. Mr. Kalb made an intensely personal statement of universal appeal. The son of immigrants, he is mindful of his Jewish heritage and responsibilities and yet enjoys status as a full fledged member of mainstream America.

Mr. Kalb personally greeted the congregation at the Champagne Reception which followed the program and later autographed his novel at the Book Fair.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Beginning Thursday, January 6, 1983 and every Thursday thereafter, there will be a MORNING MINYAN at 7:30 A.M. Men *and* women of the congregation are cordially invited to participate in the weekly MORNING MINYAN. Coffee and danish are served.

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Hanukkah Blessings

These are the blessings to be recited before kindling the Hanukkah lights; this year the first candle is lit on Friday night, December 10.

1. Barukh Atah Adonai Elohainu Melekh Ha-olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivinu l'hadlik ner shel Hanukkah.

Praised are You, Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has made us holy through His commandments and who has commanded us to kindle the Hanukkah light.

Then,

2. Barukh Atah Adonai Elohainu Melekh Ha-olam, she-asah nisim la-avotainu ba-yamim ha-hem baz-man hazeh.

Praised are You, Lord our God, King of the Universe, who performed miracles for our ancestors in those days, at this time.

On the first night only, "Sheheheyanu" is added:

3. Barukh Atah Adonai Elohainu Melekh Ha-olam, sheheheyanu v'kee-y'manu v'hee-gee-anu lazman hazeh.

Praised are You, Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has kept us in life, sustained us and enabled us to reach this season.

... from the Cantor ...

A Thought On The Nature Of Jewish Music

There is no real line of demarcation between secular and religious in the music of the Jewish experience. Folk elements are ever-present in the cantorial and choral liturgy of the synagogue. Indeed, these are the basis of congregational singing in our services universally. There is likewise a thoroughly inbred religious spirit in most Jewish folk songs, both in the lyrics and in the melodic motifs.

Still, there is such a large and wonderful literature of both types that we ought to explore them separately. Our most frequent contact with Jewish music at Park Avenue Synagogue is at Sabbath and holiday services and we have the opportunity to be involved regularly in that experience of our long-spanning Jewish heritage. I believe it would be very gratifying also to create occasions for immersing ourselves in the secular folk music that unites us with the everyday experiences of Jewish communities that have preceded us.

Such ample opportunities available to us immediately are the Lobby Concert planned for the third night of Hanukkah, Sunday, December 12, and our Melave Malke on Saturday evening, January 29.

Come join us for these wonderful experiences!

— David Lefkowitz

Ambassador Kirkpatrick Captivates Congregation

Ambassador Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, United States Representative to the United Nations, was the guest speaker of Sisterhood at its Centennial Sabbath on October 29, 1982. More than one thousand people filled the Sanctuary on that evening to hear our Ambassador to the United Nations.

Rabbi Nadich introduced the speaker, praising her scholarly background, statesmanship and integrity which has earned for her the respect of the nation.

As Ambassador Kirkpatrick approached the podium, she was greeted with a spontaneous ovation which was repeated upon the conclusion of her speech. At this point in the service, after thanking her, Rabbi Nadich announced that this occasion marked the first appearance of the Ambassador *in any synagogue*.

Ambassador Kirkpatrick spoke with subdued emotion as she described the pervasive anti-semitism directed against Israel in all the Councils of the United Nations and its insidious voting patterns. However, she ended on a note of cautious optimism indicating that there does seem to exist certain indications that could give us reason to believe that one day the United Nations would honor its charter of human rights for all nations.

At the Oneg Shabbat which followed the Service, Mrs. Hanna Lyttle, President of Sisterhood, presented Ambassador Kirkpatrick with a Bible. Mrs. Lyttle expressed the appreciation of the members of our congregation for the Ambassador's courageous stand in the United Nations and described her as a "woman of valor".

Lunch 'N' Study Course Examines Book of Jonah

It is still possible to register for Lunch 'N' Study, a four session course being offered in the Sherr Institute, which meets once a month in the midtown area.

The second session of this course will take place on Tuesday, December 14 from Noon to 1:40 P.M. This date is a change from the date listed in the Institute's brochure.

The Book of Jonah is read in Synagogue on the afternoon of Yom Kippur. It is a short book filled with many ideas concerning the relation of man to God, as well as a short treatise on repentance and ethics.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS for DECEMBER, 1982

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>NOTE: Sisterhood Gift Shop Open Mondays - Thursdays 11 A.M. - 5 P.M. Sundays 9:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.</p> <p>Rothschild Library Open Mondays 3 - 6, Tuesdays 3 - 5:30, Wednesdays 3:30 - 6:30, Thursdays 9:30 - 12:30, Sundays 9:30 - 12:30</p> <p>DAILY MINYAN sponsored by Men's Club 5:45 P.M. Appleman Chapel</p>		<p>1</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Advanced Hebrew with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. Talmud with Rabbi Wechsler</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. Parents and Children Workshop with Nancy Samalin</p>	<p>2 10:30 A.M. Adult Ed. Intermediate Hebrew I with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Beginners Hebrew with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>2 P.M. Retirees Club</p> <p>8:30 P.M. New Members Champagne Reception</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Special Hours 10 A.M. - 3 P.M. Gift Shop Open for Hanukkah Shopping</p> <p>6:15 P.M. Friday Night Family Service</p> <p>Grade Gimel Dinner By Reservation Only</p> <p>Light Candles 4:09 P.M.</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:15 A.M. Shabbat Service</p> <p>Bat Mitzvah Abigail Solomon</p> <p>11 A.M. Bar-Bat Mitzvah Primer with Mark Kula</p> <p>5 P.M. The Commandments Study with Rabbi Wechsler followed by Service</p>
<p>5 Special Hours 10 A.M. - 3 P.M. Gift Shop Open for Hanukkah Shopping</p> <p>10:15 A.M. Sunday Study Breakfast with Rabbi Wechsler Topic: "Hanukkah and Christmas: What To Do?" Baby Sitting Available</p> <p>Noon Men's Club and High School sponsor Hanukkah Party for Project Ezra</p>	<p>6</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Intermediate Hebrew II with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. Beginners Hebrew with Rahel F. Bloch</p>	<p>7</p> <p>11:30 A.M. Sisterhood Annual Luncheon</p> <p>Noon Lunch 'N' Study with Rabbi Wechsler</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. To Be A Jew with David Abramson</p> <p>8 P.M. Parents Association Board Meeting</p>	<p>8</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Advanced Hebrew with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>7:15 P.M. Club 87 Coffee House</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. Talmud with Rabbi Wechsler</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. Parents and Children Workshop with Nancy Samalin</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:30 A.M. Adult Ed. Intermediate Hebrew I with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Beginners Hebrew with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>2 P.M. Retirees Club</p>	<p>10</p> <p>HANUKKAH: FIRST CANDLE</p> <p>Special Hours 10 A.M. - 3 P.M. Gift Shop Open for Hanukkah Shopping</p> <p>6:15 P.M. Hanukkah Service</p> <p>Light Candles 4:09 P.M.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>HANUKKAH: SECOND CANDLE</p> <p>9:15 A.M. Hanukkah Service</p> <p>Bar Mitzvah Jacob Zimmerman</p> <p>The Commandments Study with Rabbi Wechsler followed by Service</p>
<p>12 HANUKKAH: THIRD CANDLE</p> <p>Special Hours 10 A.M. - 3 P.M. Gift Shop Open for Hanukkah Shopping</p> <p>7 P.M. A Hanukkah Party for Grown-Ups! Lobby Concert by Judaic Music Society followed by Social EVERYONE IS INVITED!</p>	<p>13 HANUKKAH: FOURTH CANDLE</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Intermediate Hebrew II with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>6 P.M. A Hanukkah Party For Kids! sponsored by Parents Association and Single Parents Group ALL KIDS INVITED!!</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. Beginners Hebrew with Rahel F. Bloch</p>	<p>14 HANUKKAH: FIFTH CANDLE</p> <p>10:30 A.M. A Hadassah Nadich Teach-In prior to Noon Sisterhood Board Meeting</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. To Be A Jew with David Abramson</p> <p>8:15 P.M. Men's Club Board Meeting</p>	<p>15 HANUKKAH: SIXTH CANDLE</p> <p>7:30 A.M. Morning Minyan</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Advanced Hebrew with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. Talmud with Rabbi Wechsler</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. Parents and Children Workshop with Nancy Samalin</p> <p>8 P.M. Mr. and Mrs. Club Board Meeting</p>	<p>16 HANUKKAH: SEVENTH CANDLE</p> <p>10:30 A.M. Adult Ed. Intermediate Hebrew I with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Beginners Hebrew with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>2 P.M. Retirees Club</p>	<p>17 HANUKKAH: EIGHTH CANDLE</p> <p>6:15 P.M. Friday Night Service followed by Congregational Shabbat Dinner by Advance Reservation only</p> <p>Light Candles 4:10 P.M.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:15 A.M. Shabbat Service</p> <p>Bat Mitzvah Elizabeth Klein</p> <p>5 P.M. The Commandments study with Rabbi Wechsler followed by Service</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Intermediate Hebrew II with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>8 P.M. Adult Ed. Beginners Hebrew with Rahel F. Bloch</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Advanced Hebrew with Vivian Finkel</p>	<p>23</p> <p>10:30 A.M. Adult Ed. Intermediate Hebrew I with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>1 P.M. Adult Ed. Beginners Hebrew with Vivian Finkel</p> <p>2 P.M. Retirees Club</p>	<p>24</p> <p>8:30 P.M. Friday Night Service</p> <p>Rabbi Wechsler will speak on CHAIM GRADE</p> <p>Light Candles 4:13 P.M.</p>	<p>25</p> <p>9:15 A.M. Shabbat Service</p> <p>Rabbi Nadich Will Teach</p> <p>5 P.M. The Commandments Study with Rabbi Wechsler followed by Service</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>A HAPPY AND A HEALTHY '1983' TO ALL</p> <p>6:15 P.M. Friday Night Service</p> <p>Light Candles 4:18 P.M.</p>	

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